UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

-against-

JOVAL PALMER,

Defendant.

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## ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR SENTENCE REDUCTION

MARY KAY VYSKOCIL, United States District Judge:

On August 31, 2021, the Defendant was sentenced principally to a term of imprisonment of 96 months. [ECF No. 92].

On November 28, 2023, the Defendant filed a letter requesting information as to whether he is eligible for a sentence reduction pursuant to Amendment 821 to the Sentencing Guidelines, which went into effect on November 1, 2023 and applies retroactively. [ECF No. 101]. The Court construes the Defendant's letter as a motion for a sentence reduction pursuant to Amendment 821. The United States Probation Office has indicated that the Defendant is not eligible for a sentence reduction.

The Court has considered the record in this case and the submissions on this motion. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendant is ineligible for a sentence reduction pursuant to Amendment 821. Part A of Amendment 821, which amends Guidelines § 4A1.1, is inapplicable because the Defendant did not commit the offenses for which he is presently serving sentence while under any prior criminal justice sentence, and, as a result, there was no upward adjustment in the calculation of the Defendant's offense level. Part B of Amendment 821, which amends Guidelines § 4C1.1, is inapplicable because that Part applies only to offenders with zero criminal

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history points who meet specified eligibility criteria. The Defendant had three criminal history

points at the time of sentencing.

Accordingly, the Defendant's motion for a sentence reduction pursuant to Amendment 821

is DENIED.

SO ORDERED.

**Dated: April 5, 2024** 

New York, NY

MARYKAY VYSKOGII

United States District Judge

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